

SENDS ULTIMATUM TO GERMANY

GET OUT OF CHINA OR FIGHT

The Teutons Given Until August 23 to Accept This Ultimatum Unconditionally—German Army in Belgium Has Resumed Its Advance

TOKIO, Aug. 16.—Japan has sent an ultimatum to Germany demanding that all German warships be withdrawn from Kio-Chau and that the Germans evacuate the territory on the east coast of China that they leased in 1897. Unless Germany accepts the ultimatum unconditionally by August 23, Japan will take drastic action. The hostilities between Japan and Germany seem certain. The growth of the Teutonic influence in China is highly displeasing to Japan and the Japanese have been trying by every means of diplomacy to overcome it and oust the Germans from the Chinese territory.

The acquisition of Kio-Chau by the Germans gave them their trade and commerce the first foothold. This a walled city on the south coast of the peninsular of Shan Tung near the head of the bay of Kai-Chau.

MIGHTY GERMAN ARMY RESUMES ITS ADVANCE.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 16.—The German army in Belgium has resumed its advance and according to all indications that section of the right flank lying between Namur and Dinant is attempting to smash its way through the Belgians and French. Dispatches say that an engagement is going on along the German front for a distance of fifteen miles between Namur and Dinant, and south of the river Meuse. Infantry, cavalry and artillery are engaged and a heavy cannonade is going on.

AMATEUR WIRELESS PLANTS CLOSED

MONTREAL, Aug. 16.—All amateur wireless plants in Montreal have been closed by the authorities and the apparatus taken apart. This was done in order to prevent official messages from being intercepted and any dissemination of false information.

JAP. MINISTER CALLS ON AMER. AMBASSADOR

TOKIO, Aug. 16.—Following the announcement that Japan had served an ultimatum on Germany, Takkaaki Kato, Japanese minister of Foreign Affairs, called on George Guthrie, the American Ambassador. It is supposed that he gave assurances that in the event of a declaration of war, Japan would safeguard the integrity of China. It is desired of the United States Government that in the event of war in the Orient, that China shall not suffer with a loss of territory.

HAMBURG AMERICAN SHIP TO BRING AMERICANS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Secretary of War, Garrison, today announced that Ambassador Gerard and Berlin had telegraphed an offer to allow the United States to use any of the Hamburg American liners now in American waters to bring home Americans from Germany.

NEWS OF GREAT FIGHT IS NOW EXPECTED

PARIS, Aug. 16. (3:00 p. m.)—The Communique, just issued by the French government, notifies the populace to be prepared for news of a great battle involving more than two million Germans, French and Belgian troops over the battle line extending from the interior of Belgium southwest along the French border to the Northern boundary of Switzerland. An appeal is made to the public to follow with coolness and calmness the various phase of the operations. It is believed that the mighty conflict opened in earnest today.

GERMANS SAID TO BE GUILTY OF SAVAGERY

PARIS, Aug. 16.—At 3:30 o'clock the war officials issued a statement saying: "It is reported that in the villages in upper Alsace, the Germans are guilty of savagery. Before being compelled to evacuate, a number of the houses were wrecked and the corpses of non-combatants are said to have been found under debris in the streets."

FRENCH AND GERMANS IN BIG BATTLE AT DINANT.

LONDON, Aug. 16.—The correspondent of the Times in Brussels telephones as follows: "A battle was fought on Saturday between the French and German forces at Dinant in Belgium, forty miles southwest of Liege. At six o'clock in the morning the Germans occupied a portion of Dinant lying on the west bank of the Meuse. The French column of infantry, supported by guns and artillery attacked the Germans and after a fight of several hours, they drove the Germans out. When the Germans fell back they were pursued for ten miles by the French chasseurs and infantry men. Operations around Dinant indicate that the Germans are south of the Meuse and are pressing forward toward the French frontier."

FOR TWELVE MILES.

THE LINE OF BATTLE RAGE LONDON, Aug. 16.—Terrific fighting is now going on between the French and German forces along a twelve mile battle line stretching from Sarrebourg in Southern Lorraine to Luneville in the French department of the Meuse-et-Moselle. War officials claim that the French soldiers were victorious in the first day of the battle which commenced at daybreak on Saturday. The French forces precipitated the fight by commencing an offensive movement all along the line of Lorraine and upper Alsatian frontiers.

NO MORE LIQUORS FOR THE CITIZENS

PARIS Aug. 16.—was issued today absolutely prohibiting the sale of abainthe in any form. Violation of this order will be punished severely.

ALL FRENCH SOLDIERS OFF THE GERMAN SOIL

PEKING, Aug. 16.—The German agency here has received advices stating that all French soldiers have been driven off of the German soil. These dispatches were issued to counterbalance the continued reports of Belgian successes.

SPAIN HAS DECLARED SUSPENSION OF TARIFF

MADRID, Aug. 16.—The Spanish government today decreed a suspension of tariff on coal and grain.

U. S. CONSUL WILL LOOK AFTER AFFAIRS

ROME, Aug. 16.—During the course of the European war the United States Consul in Terieste, Austria, will look after the affairs of the British consulate.

THE ENGLISH CONSUL HAS TO MAKE GETAWAY

ROME, Aug. 16.—A dispatch from Trieste says that Sir Godfrey Herstlet, the English Consul at Trieste had to fly for his life after England declared war against Austria.

Before fleeing Sir Godfrey Herstlet filed a vigorous protest against what he termed "Austria's shameful treatment of a British resident."

GERMAN SUBJECTS HAVE NOT BEEN ILL TREATED

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 16.—The Russian government has issued an official denial of the rumor that the German subjects in Russia have been ill treated.

GERMANS AND AUSTRIANS DRIVEN FROM MOROCCO

PARIS, Aug. 16.—The French government today made the official announcement that all Germans and Austrians had been expelled from Morocco. A rumor prevailed here was to the effect that a candidature of the Roman Catholic church, member of the house, has been proclaimed for the Polish throne.

THE AUSTRIAN TROOPS HAVE EVACUATED KIELCE

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 16.—An official announcement was made today that the Austrian troops have evacuated the towns of Kielce and Chencin in Russian Poland. The Russian cavalry attacked a regiment of Austrian dragoons and dispersed them.

THREE THOUSAND TEUTONS DIE IN BIG BATTLE

BRUSSELS, via Paris, Aug. 14.—The German casualties in the engagement at Haelen Thursday were 3,000 dead and wounded. The Germans apparently sacrificed their men without scruple. During the fight they were obliged to pass two bridges over the Goethe and Velpe rivers, where they were exposed to a heavy fire. The retreating Germans left piles of dead and wounded at these bridges.

FRENCH FIELD MARSHALL JOINS GENERAL JOFFRE

LONDON, Aug. 14.—It was announced today in Paris that field Marshal Sir John French, commander engineer of the army, had joined the French General Joffre, at the French headquarters. It was also stated that French troops in large numbers have entered Belgium and are proceeding from Charleroi to Bernibouix, ten miles from Namur.

GERMAN ARMY BEGINS A FORWARD MOVEMENT

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The great mass of the German army in Belgium began a forward movement today. Large bodies of troops are moving in the vicinity of Tongres and Stroud. Undismayed by temporary setbacks, the huge army of the Meuse is swinging forward with the front extended from Hasselt south to St. Trond. Great masses of German troops are being rushed forward through Aix leChappelle and Liege in an apparent effort to crush the allies by force of overwhelming numbers. The gigantic battle of history will ensue when these troops meet the allies which may take place tomorrow. The allies were re-inforced today by the English and large bodies of the French. Namur, a strongly fortified Belgian town, is preparing for the assault in anticipation of the town's fall. All of the citizens have been disarmed to save them from reprisals by the Germans.

DIET MAY BE SCENE OF ANOTHER BIG FIGHT

LONDON, Aug. 14.—Diest, where the German cavalry were defeated yesterday, lies in the path of the advancing hosts and will doubtless be the scene of another desperate struggle within the next twenty-four hours. A battle is expected all along the front of the German advance.

GERMANS CONTINUE TO BOMBARD LIEGE FORTS.

The bombardment of the Liege forts still continue but the Germans have suspended that on the forts on the right of the river and switched to those on the left which are vigorously replying. In Alsace all news continues favorable to the French who, according to the War Office, have pressed northward in a desperate battle of five days along the ridges of the Vosges mountains, hurling the Germans back from an important position at Saales Pass, thirty miles from Strasbourg and now dominate the whole valley of Bruchriver leading to the city. "On to Strasbourg" is the cry and the latest reports from the theatre of the war states that the French are menacing that historic city which, if strongly fortified, should withstand a protracted siege.

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PARIS, Aug. 14.—The Paris correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company telegraphs this official statement of the French minister of war regarding the fight on the Vosges mountains.

"The French troops held their position on the mountains for five days despite vigorous attacks of the Germans' who were superior in number. At one point the Germans brought beside their weakened troops some formations of reserves but the latter were unable to resist the French attack and were obliged to lay down their arms. The entire division surrendered. The French troop hold the valley of the Bruche."

The Havre News agency's version of the statement differs in some respect from that given by the Exchange Telegraph Company. It says

"An entire section and not a division of the German troops surrendered with their machine guns."

"The Havre version adds

"In the course of recent operations a number of spies have been court-martialed and shot, including the mayor and postmaster of Thann, in lower Alsace."

"Two French battalions which had seized the village of Lagrade in German Lorraine above Avricourt were dislodged by a superior force of German troops and driven back to Xures if the department of Meurthe et-Moselle on the road to the fortress of Lunville."

"The Belgians in the operations around Liege took more than 2,000 German prisoners and in consequence of its restricted territory the Belgian government has asked France to arrange for their confinement elsewhere."

"At various points along the French frontier the French troops have taken over 1,500 prisoners."

WAR BULLETINS

LONDON, Aug. 14.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from West Hartlepool says the captain of the Danish steamer Huldamaersk declares he passed seven unladen German ships 15 miles off Spurnhead at the northeast entrance of the Humber. Only the masts of the vessels were visible above the water.

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Patriot's Cuss Words Sends This Flying

INTRUDER THINKS DESPERATE MAN IN THE HOUSE AND FLEES.

LOS ANGELES, August 14.—Routed by a parrot while the bird's owner telephoned for the police, a burglar fled from the apartments of Mrs. E. D. Hull, No. 3247 Royal street, before the police arrived.

When the burglar crawled through a window in Mrs. Hull's apartment and began looting, he was greeted with such a storm of abuse, mingled with real old Billingsgate oaths, that he believed there must be a desperate man in the house.

The burglar did not hesitate. Mrs. Hull, awakened by the screeching of the parrot, rushed into the room in time to see the burglar's coat tails disappearing through the window.

Hurrying from the room, Mrs. Hull telephoned the police.

When Lieut Johnson arrived with an automobile load of policemen Polly was still voicing her opinion of the intruder.

"Listen to him cuss," said Johnson, drawing his gun; "boys, this is a tough burglar."

But Polly was not to be quieted by the sight of police officers.

"Its only a parrot said the lieutenant, 'but—what language.'"

"I never heard him talk like that before," said Mrs. Hull, with her fingers in her ears. "I am going to take him back to the man I bought him from."

"Polly," the parrot, is a great favorite among the children of the neighborhood.

Following this adventure Polly held an impromptu reception.

RATTLER FIGHTS AN AUTO.

Six-foot Snake Sinks Fangs Twice In Car—Is Shot.

LOVELAND, Cal., Aug. 14.—A six-foot rattlesnake defied one of the largest autos of the stage line operating between here and Estes Park to pass it in the Big Thompson canyon and kept up an uneven fight until it was killed.

"Dad" Osborn, oldest driver in the canyon encountered the reptile as he turned a sharp curve twelve miles west of here. The snake lifted its head, took the center of the road and expressed its defiance by coiling to strike and shaking its eleven rattles vigorously.

Women passengers screamed and several men left the car for cover.

The snake when within five feet of the machine, coiled and sprang twice at the hood, sinking its fangs in a tire on the second leap. Osborn left his seat. Efforts to scare the reptile failed and Osborn fired two bullets into his body killing him with the second shot.

HIGH DIVER PERHAPS FATALLY INJURED.

HENDERSON, N. C., Aug. 14.—John Elevean, a high diver from Brooklyn, N. Y., was seriously if not fatally injured today in diving from a scaffold 102 feet high into Lake Rhodendron. Elevean, who sustained painful injuries about the eye while making a dive Saturday, struck the water on his chest today and was rendered insensible by the blow. He has regained consciousness, but is coughing up blood, and doctors say that the extent of his injuries cannot be determined until tomorrow.

G. S. Atmore, Jr., returned yesterday morning from the week-end visit to relatives at Stonefall.